

**App. No.** : 10/056,893  
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**REMARKS**

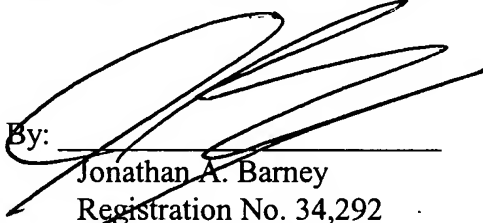
Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to reexamine and reconsider this application, as amended. Claims 1-15, 19, 41-49 and 50-52 are currently pending in this application.

Applicant respectfully disagrees with the Examiner's continued rejection of Claims 1-15 and 19. However, in the interest of expediting the allowance and issuance of the remaining allowed claims, Applicant has amended Claim 1 to incorporate the indicated allowable subject matter of Claims 17 and 18. Claims 17 and 18 have been cancelled. This application is now believed to be in condition for immediate allowance.

**CONCLUSION**

This application, as amended, is believed to be in condition for allowance and such action is earnestly solicited. If the Examiner has any questions or suggestions concerning the amended claims or this response he is respectfully urged to contact the undersigned at the number indicated below.

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